APPLY BY OCTOBER 17, 2024

CGS-D AWARDS

Canada Graduate Scholarship – Doctoral program

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CGS-D Award Overview

- Top tier applications
- Tenable within Canada only
- NEW!!! Valued at $40,000 per year

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Canada Graduate Scholarships — Doctoral program

Overview	
Value	$35,000 per year
Duration	36 months
Tenure	Canadian institutions only
Application deadline	**Through a Canadian institution:** Contact your institution **Directly to the agencies:** October 17 To determine whether you should apply through a Canadian institution or directly to the agencies and which application deadline applies to you, consult the Where should I submit my application? flowchart.
How to apply	Refer to the Application procedures section below.
Results announced	April
Application forms and instructions	NSERC: Online system and instructions CIHR: ResearchNET and instructions SSHRC: Online system and instructions

Eligibility

- Citizenship status
- Program completion status

Eligibility

To be eligible to apply, you must

- be a Canadian citizen, a permanent resident of Canada or a Protected Person under subsection 95(2) of the *Immigration and Refugee Protection Act* (Canada), as of the application deadline
- have completed **no more than 24 months** of full-time study in your doctoral program by December 31 of the calendar year of application if previously enrolled in a graduate program
- have completed **no more than 36 months** of full-time study in your joint program by December 31 of the calendar year of application if enrolled in a joint program; such as, MD/PhD, MA/PhD
    - if you fall into this category, you have access to the 36-month window whether or not you were previously enrolled in a master's program
- have completed **no more than 36 months** of full-time study in your doctoral program by December 31 of the calendar year of application if enrolled directly from a bachelor's to a PhD program (without having completed or enrolled in another graduate program)
    - direct-entry applicants must be enrolled in their doctoral program at the time of application

Note: To maximize your potential period of funding, you may be eligible to apply to the CGS M program for your first year of doctoral funding. You are responsible for choosing the type of award for which you apply. See *Other restrictions* below for more information.

Number of months

Eligibility for CGS D is based on the number of months of full-time study, including summer months, toward the degree for which you are requesting funding by **December 31 of the calendar year of application**. Two terms of part-time study count as one term of full-time study.

Note: The agencies count all studies toward the doctoral degree for which funding is requested, whether or not they were completed at the degree-granting institution.

Agency Specific Doctoral Awards

- Each agency has its own doctoral awards for meritorious applications
- Applicants submit only one application to be considered for both the CGS-D and the agency specific awards
- Eligibility requirements may differ for agency specific awards
- Tenable within Canada or abroad

SSHRC Doctoral Award

- NEW!!! Valued at $40,000 per year
- Max 36 months

SSHRC Doctoral Fellowships

Fall 2023 Competition

Overview	
Value	$20,000 per year
Duration	12, 24, 36 or 48 months
Application deadline *	**Through a Canadian institution with a quota:** Contact your institution **Directly to SSHRC:** October 17, 2023 **(8 p.m. eastern)** To determine the application deadline that applies to you, consult Where should I submit my application? (PDF, 145 KB)
How to apply	Refer to Application process
Results announced	April 2024
Apply	Web CV, application and instructions

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Imagining Canada's Future

Future Challenge Areas Action Plan 2022-25

Over these three years, SSHRC will dedicate a series of funding opportunities and stakeholder engagement activities to addressing the following set of four future challenges drawn from the 2018 horizon scan:

- Shifting Dynamics of Privilege and Marginalization
- Evolving Narratives of Cultures and Histories
- Global Health and Wellness for the 21st Century
- Envisioning Governance Systems that Work

Additional funding opportunities will be launched under Action Plan 2025-27 to address three of the remaining future challenges:

- The Changing Nature of Security and Conflict (2025)
- The Arts Transformed (2025)
- Truth under Fire in a Post-Fact World (2026)

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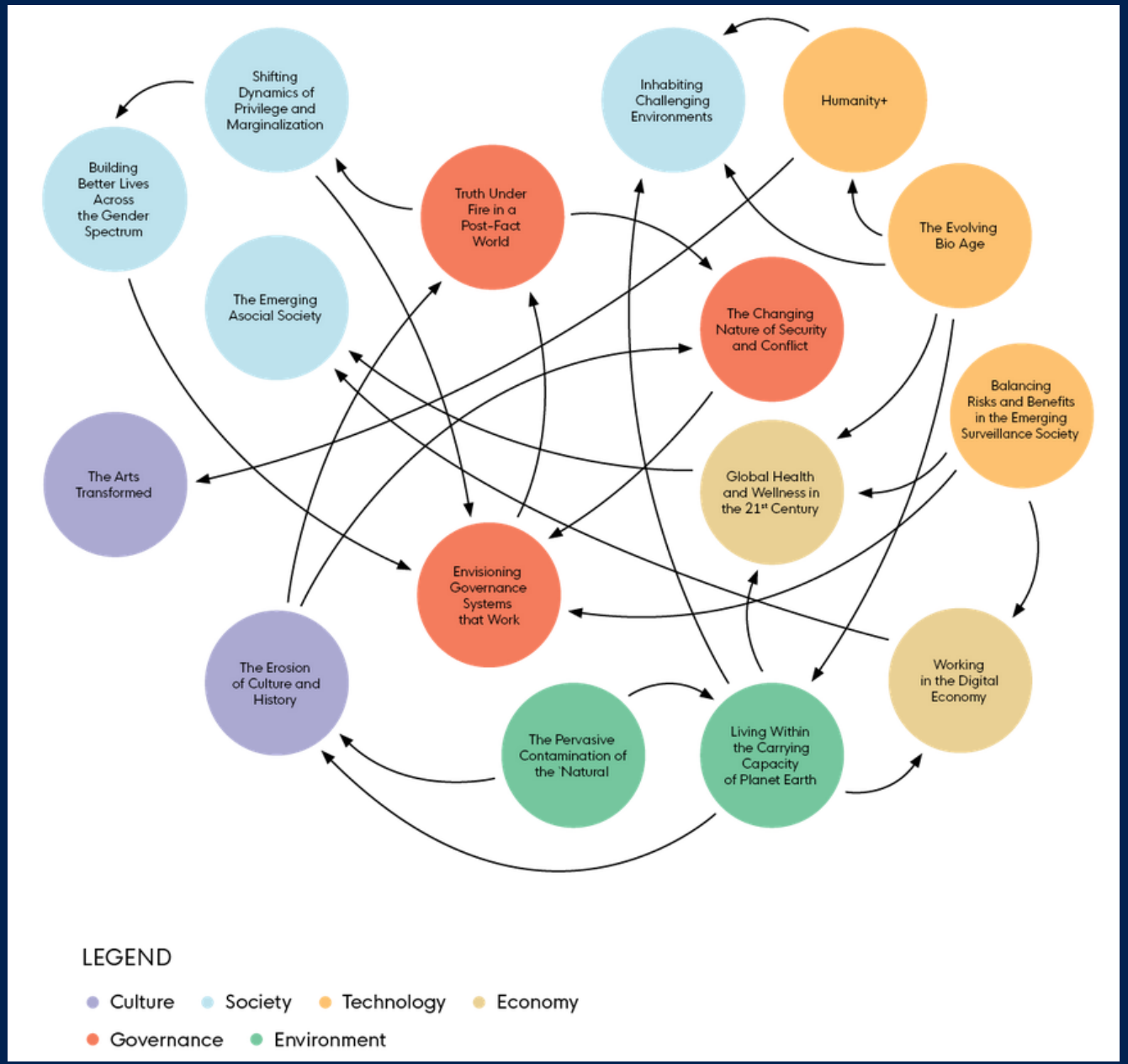

NSERC Doctoral Award

- NEW!!! Valued at $40,000 per year

NSERC Postgraduate Scholarships – Doctoral program

Overview	
Value	$21,000 per year for three years
Application deadline	**Through a Canadian institution**: contact your institution **Directly to NSERC**: October 17 To determine whether you should apply through a Canadian institution or directly to NSERC and which application deadline applies to you, consult the Where should I submit my application? flowchart
How to apply	To create or access an application, log in to the online system. Read the Instructions for completing an application – form 201 before completing and submitting your application. • Form 201 – Application for a Postgraduate Scholarship or Postdoctoral Fellowship • Application process resource videos
For more information	Consult the contact list. Refer to the Selection committee guide for Postgraduate Scholarships – Doctoral and Postdoctoral Fellowships programs.
Important note	This program description should be read in conjunction with the Canada Graduate Scholarships – Doctoral program web page for complete program information.

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NSERC Research Areas

List of research topics here.

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CIHR Doctoral Award

- NEW!!! Valued at $40,000 per year
- Up to three years
- Abroad only

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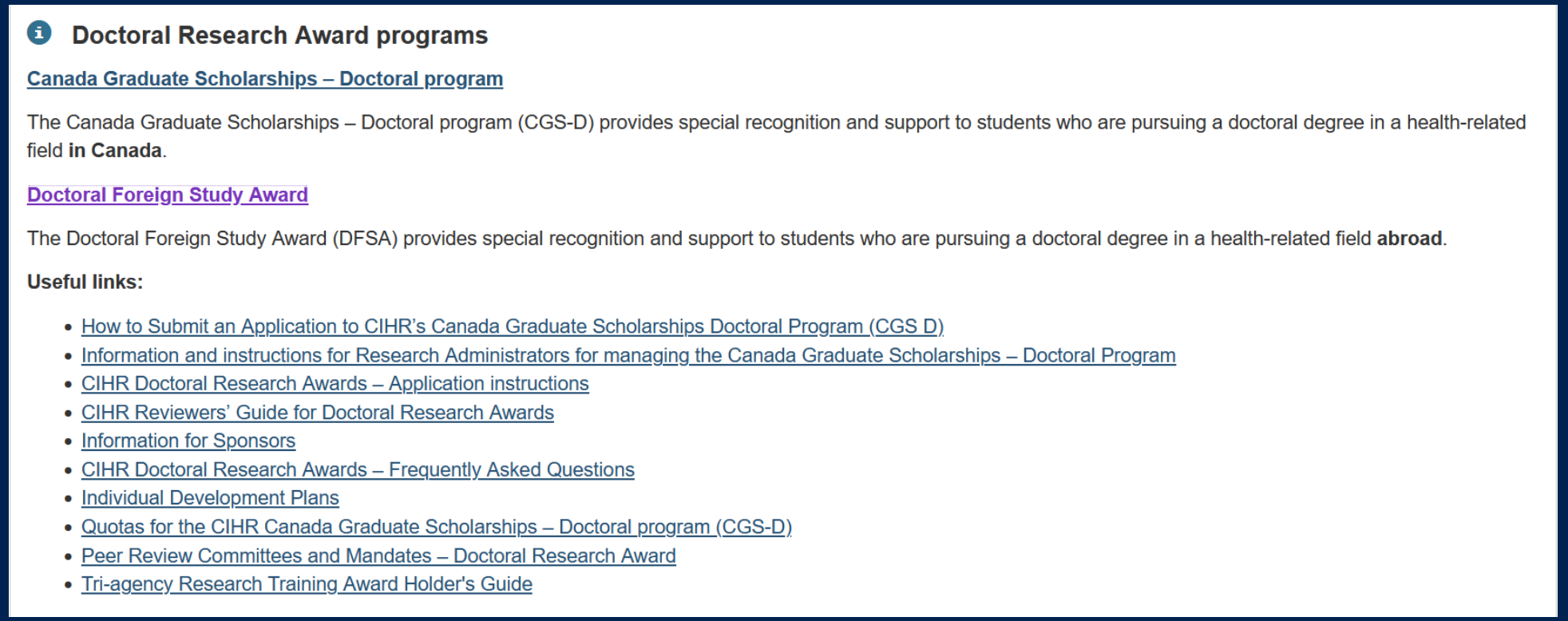

Doctoral Research Award programs

Canada Graduate Scholarships – Doctoral program

The Canada Graduate Scholarships – Doctoral program (CGS-D) provides special recognition and support to students who are pursuing a doctoral degree in a health-related field **in Canada**.

Doctoral Foreign Study Award

The Doctoral Foreign Study Award (DFSA) provides special recognition and support to students who are pursuing a doctoral degree in a health-related field **abroad**.

Useful links:

- How to Submit an Application to CIHR's Canada Graduate Scholarships Doctoral Program (CGS D)
- Information and instructions for Research Administrators for managing the Canada Graduate Scholarships – Doctoral Program
- CIHR Doctoral Research Awards – Application instructions
- CIHR Reviewers' Guide for Doctoral Research Awards
- Information for Sponsors
- CIHR Doctoral Research Awards – Frequently Asked Questions
- Individual Development Plans
- Quotas for the CIHR Canada Graduate Scholarships – Doctoral program (CGS-D)
- Peer Review Committees and Mandates – Doctoral Research Award
- Tri-agency Research Training Award Holder's Guide

CIHR Priority Driven Initiatives

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Selecting the Appropriate Agency

Webpage (linked)

SSHRC – Social Sciences & Humanities

The intended outcome of the research must primarily be to add to our understanding and knowledge of individuals, groups, and societies - what we think, how we live and how we interact with each other and the world around us.

NSERC – Natural Science & Engineering

The intended objectives of the research must primarily be to advance knowledge in one or more of the natural science or engineering disciplines.

CIHR – Health

The intended outcomes of the research must primarily improve or have an impact on health and/or produce more effective health services and products and/or strengthen the Canadian health care system.

TWU's 2024 CGS-D Quotas

SSHRC Quota = 3

- List of institutions with a SSHRC quota (linked)
- See CGS-D application flowchart (next slide) for where to apply (linked)

NSERC Quota = 3

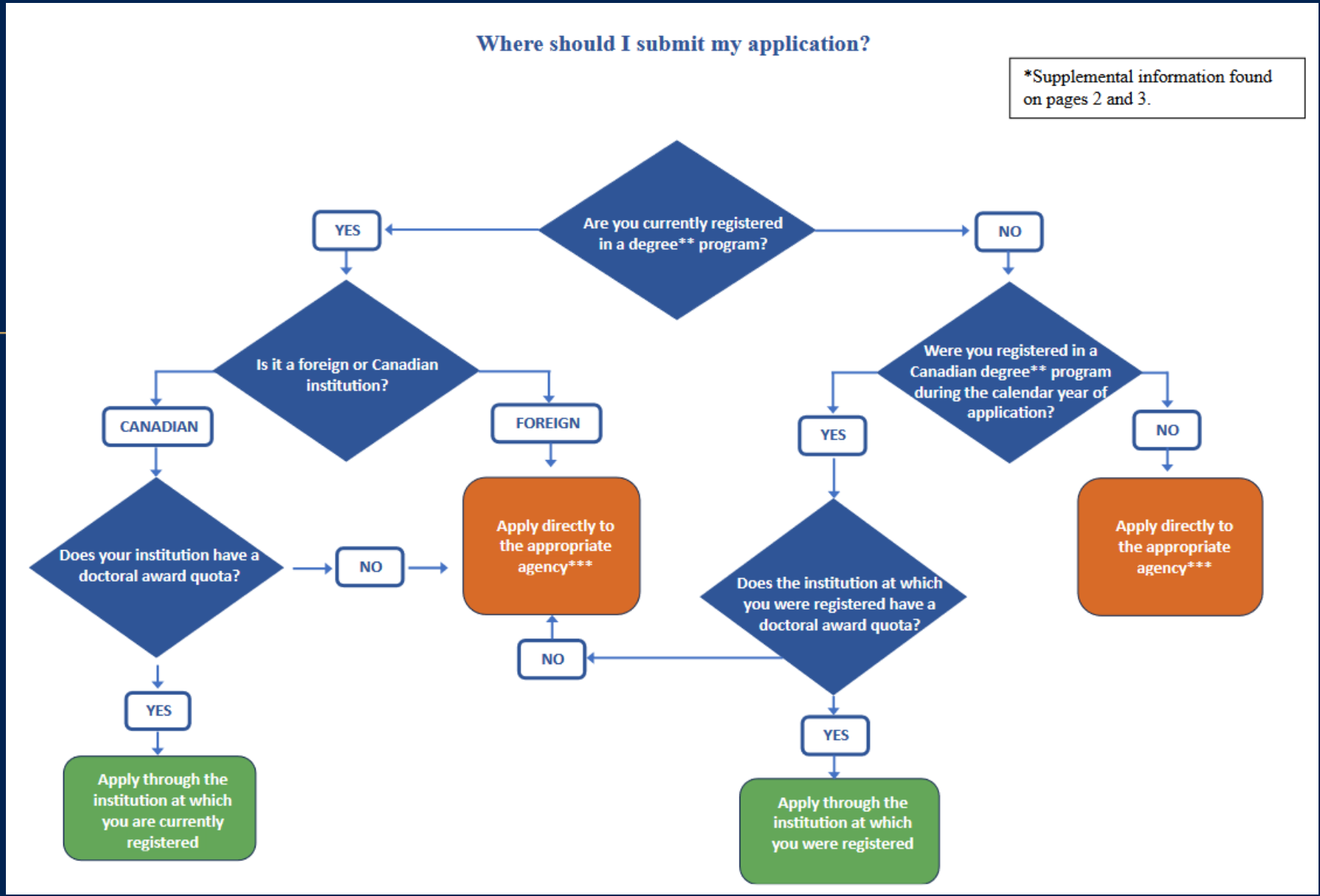
- List of institutions with an NSERC quota (linked)
- See CGS-D application flowchart (next slide) for where to apply (linked)

CIHR Quota = 0

- List of institutions with a CIHR quota (linked)
- CIHR application flowchart (linked)

CGS-D Application Flowchart

Where to submit your application



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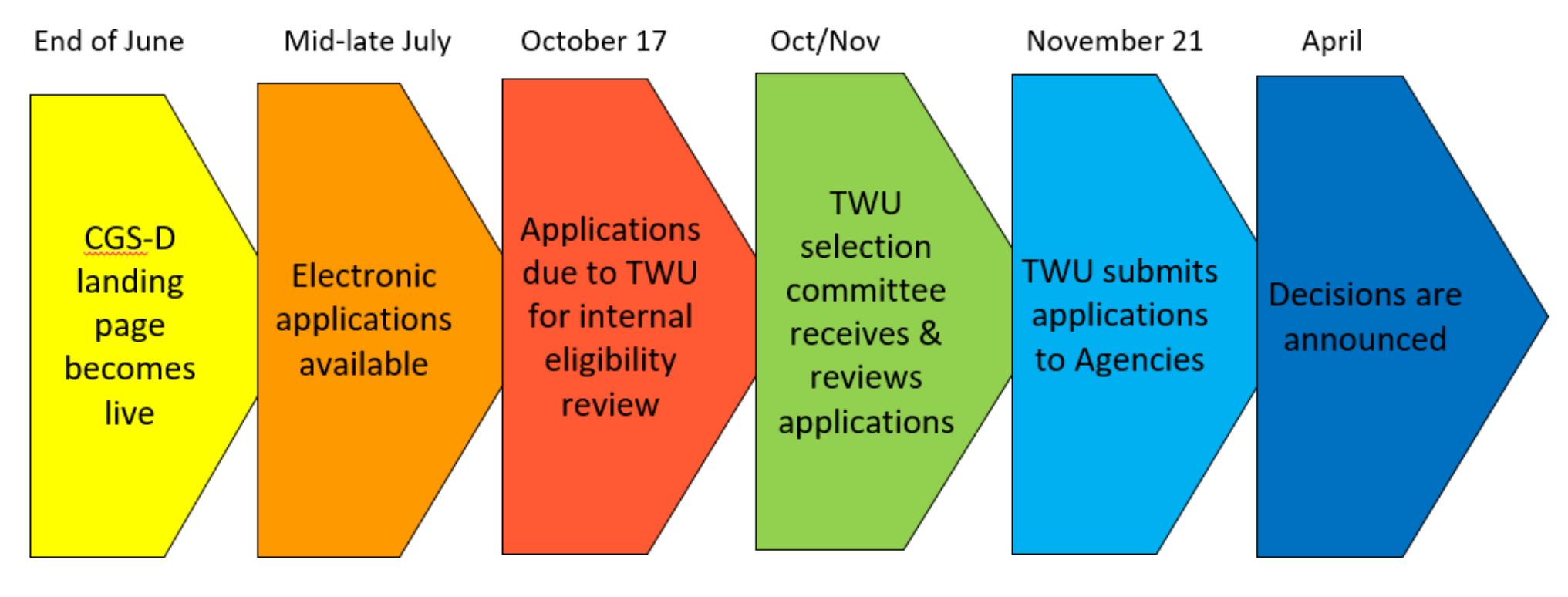
CGS-D Application Timeline



CGS-D Selection Criteria

Research ability and potential	Indicators of research ability and potential:
	• quality of research proposal
	  ◦ specific, focused and feasible research question(s) and/or objective(s)
	  ◦ clear description and soundness of the proposed methodology
	  ◦ significance and expected contributions to research
	• relevant training, such as academic training, lived experience and traditional teachings
	• demonstration of ability and potential to carry out proposed research relative to the stage of study, lived experience and knowledge systems
	• quality of contributions and extent to which they advance the field of research—contributions may include publications, patents, reports, posters, abstracts, monographs, presentations, creative outputs, knowledge translation outputs, community products, etc.
	• demonstration of sound judgment and ability to think critically
	• demonstration of responsible and ethical research conduct, including honest and thoughtful inquiry, rigorous analysis, commitment to safety and to the dissemination of research results and adherence to the use of professional standards
	• demonstration of originality, initiative, autonomy, relevant community involvement and outreach
	• ability to communicate theoretical, technical and/or scientific concepts clearly and logically in written and oral formats
		50%

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Relevant experience and achievements obtained within and beyond academia	Indicators of relevant experience and achievements obtained within and beyond academia:
	• scholarships, awards and distinctions (amount, duration and prestige)
	• academic record
	  ◦ transcripts
	  ◦ duration of previous studies
	  ◦ program requirements and courses pursued
	  ◦ course load
	  ◦ relative standing in program (if available)
	• professional, academic and extracurricular activities as well as collaborations with supervisors, colleagues, peers, students and members of the community, such as
	  ◦ teaching, mentoring, supervising and/or coaching
	  ◦ managing projects
	  ◦ participating in science and/or research promotion
	  ◦ participating in community outreach, volunteer work and/or civic engagement
	  ◦ chairing committees and/or organizing conferences and meetings
	  ◦ participating in departmental or institutional organizations, associations, societies and/or clubs
		50%

Application Requirements

A complete application package includes the following sections:

- CCV
- Doctoral Award application in Research Portal
    - Application Profile
    - Program Information (where the institution with a quota is identified)
    - Areas of Study
    - Diversity Considerations in Research Design Module (not visible to the SLO)
    - Research Proposal (max. two pages)
    - Bibliography / Citations (max. five pages)
    - Transcripts & official letters confirming part-time status or interruptions
    - Allowable Inclusion (max. one page if applicable)
    - Research Contributions, Relevant Experience and Activities (max. two pages)
    - Justification pages for supplements and joint initiatives (only if applicable)
    - Referees – 2 letters of appraisal

Allowable Inclusions

Applicants may submit a one-page document outlining special circumstances that could have affected the applicant's:

- research
- professional career
- record of academic or research achievement
- or completion of degrees

Indigenous Student Researchers

- Institutions may submit meritorious applications from self-identified Indigenous applicants beyond their application quota.

- Self-identified Indigenous applicants must agree to their personal information being used for this purpose by making the appropriate selection in the application form.

Writing a Research Proposal

- A proposal needs to communicate effectively to all readers.
- An **interdisciplinary** group of selection committee members will be evaluating your application. Some committee members will speak a different disciplinary "language", so your proposal needs to be written in lay terms.
- Ensure that your proposal provides a clear outline of your research, including, for example, the research question(s), context, objectives, methodology, and significance, as well as expected contributions to advancing knowledge.
- Consult with your supervisor when writing your proposal. The Office of Graduate Studies cannot assist applicants with writing their research proposals.

Official Transcripts

*Up-to-date official transcripts of the applicant's complete post-secondary academic record, including all undergraduate and graduate studies, completed or ongoing.

Up-to-date official transcripts are defined as (1) transcripts issued by the Registrar's Office and (2) dated or issued in the fall session of the year of the application (if currently registered) or after the last term completed (if not currently registered).

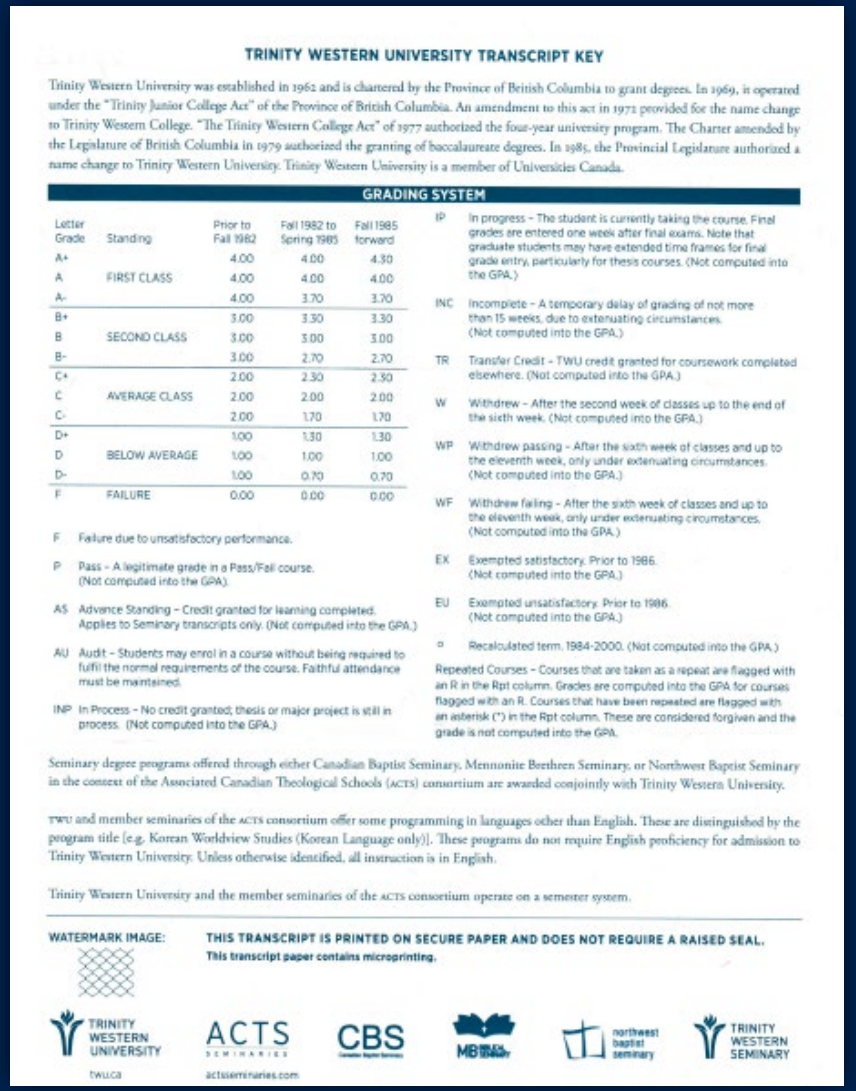
- Opening the envelope to scan the transcript will not render it unofficial for application purposes.
- Uploaded transcript text must be horizontal.
- Original copies of any uploaded transcripts must be retained as they may be requested by the agency for verification purposes at any point in the process.

*Applicants who are or were registered at an institution that does not provide transcripts must submit, in lieu of a transcript, a letter bearing the official institution seal/stamp or a letter signed by the Dean of Graduate Studies confirming the applicant's program of study, the applicant's registration status, the date of initial registration, the degree obtained or sought and the fact that the institution does not provide transcripts.

Transcript Key

One copy of the transcript key/legend must be included for each institution for which a transcript is submitted.

Applications without transcript keys will not meet eligibility criteria.



TRINITY WESTERN UNIVERSITY TRANSCRIPT KEY

Trinity Western University was established in 1962 and is chartered by the Province of British Columbia to grant degrees. In 1969, it operated under the "Trinity Junior College Act" of the Province of British Columbia. An amendment to this act in 1972 provided for the name change to Trinity Western College. "The Trinity Western College Act" of 1977 authorized the four-year university program. The Charter amended by the Legislature of British Columbia in 1979 authorized the granting of baccalaureate degrees. In 1985, the Provincial Legislature authorized a name change to Trinity Western University. Trinity Western University is a member of Universities Canada.

GRADING SYSTEM

Letter Grade	Standing	Prior to Fall 1982	Fall 1982 to Spring 1985	Fall 1985 forward
A+		4.00	4.00	4.30
A	FIRST CLASS	4.00	4.00	4.00
A-		4.00	3.70	3.70
B+		3.00	3.30	3.30
B	SECOND CLASS	3.00	3.00	3.00
B-		3.00	2.70	2.70
C+		2.00	2.30	2.30
C	AVERAGE CLASS	2.00	2.00	2.00
C-		2.00	1.70	1.70
D+		1.00	1.30	1.30
D	BELOW AVERAGE	1.00	1.00	1.00
D-		1.00	0.70	0.70
F	FAILURE	0.00	0.00	0.00

F Failure due to unsatisfactory performance.

P Pass – A legitimate grade in a Pass/Fail course. (Not computed into the GPA).

AS Advance Standing – Credit granted for learning completed. Applies to Seminary transcripts only. (Not computed into the GPA.)

AU Audit – Students may enrol in a course without being required to fulfil the normal requirements of the course. Faithful attendance must be maintained.

INP In Process – No credit granted; thesis or major project is still in process. (Not computed into the GPA.)

IP In progress – The student is currently taking the course. Final grades are entered one week after final exams. Note that graduate students may have extended time frames for final grade entry, particularly for thesis courses. (Not computed into the GPA.)

INC Incomplete – A temporary delay of grading of not more than 15 weeks, due to extenuating circumstances. (Not computed into the GPA.)

TR Transfer Credit – TWU credit granted for coursework completed elsewhere. (Not computed into the GPA.)

W Withdrew – After the second week of classes up to the end of the sixth week. (Not computed into the GPA.)

WP Withdrew passing – After the sixth week of classes and up to the eleventh week, only under extenuating circumstances. (Not computed into the GPA.)

WF Withdrew failing – After the sixth week of classes and up to the eleventh week, only under extenuating circumstances. (Not computed into the GPA.)

EX Exempted satisfactory. Prior to 1986. (Not computed into the GPA.)

EU Exempted unsatisfactory. Prior to 1986. (Not computed into the GPA.)

R Recalculated term. 1984-2000. (Not computed into the GPA.)

Repeated Courses – Courses that are taken as a repeat are flagged with an R in the Rpt column. Grades are computed into the GPA for courses flagged with an R. Courses that have been repeated are flagged with an asterisk (*) in the Rpt column. These are considered forgiven and the grade is not computed into the GPA.

Seminary degree programs offered through either Canadian Baptist Seminary, Mennonite Brethren Seminary, or Northwest Baptist Seminary in the context of the Associated Canadian Theological Schools (ACTS) consortium are awarded conjointly with Trinity Western University.

TWU and member seminaries of the ACTS consortium offer some programming in languages other than English. These are distinguished by the program title [e.g. Korean Worldview Studies (Korean Language only)]. These programs do not require English proficiency for admission to Trinity Western University. Unless otherwise identified, all instruction is in English.

Trinity Western University and the member seminaries of the ACTS consortium operate on a semester system.

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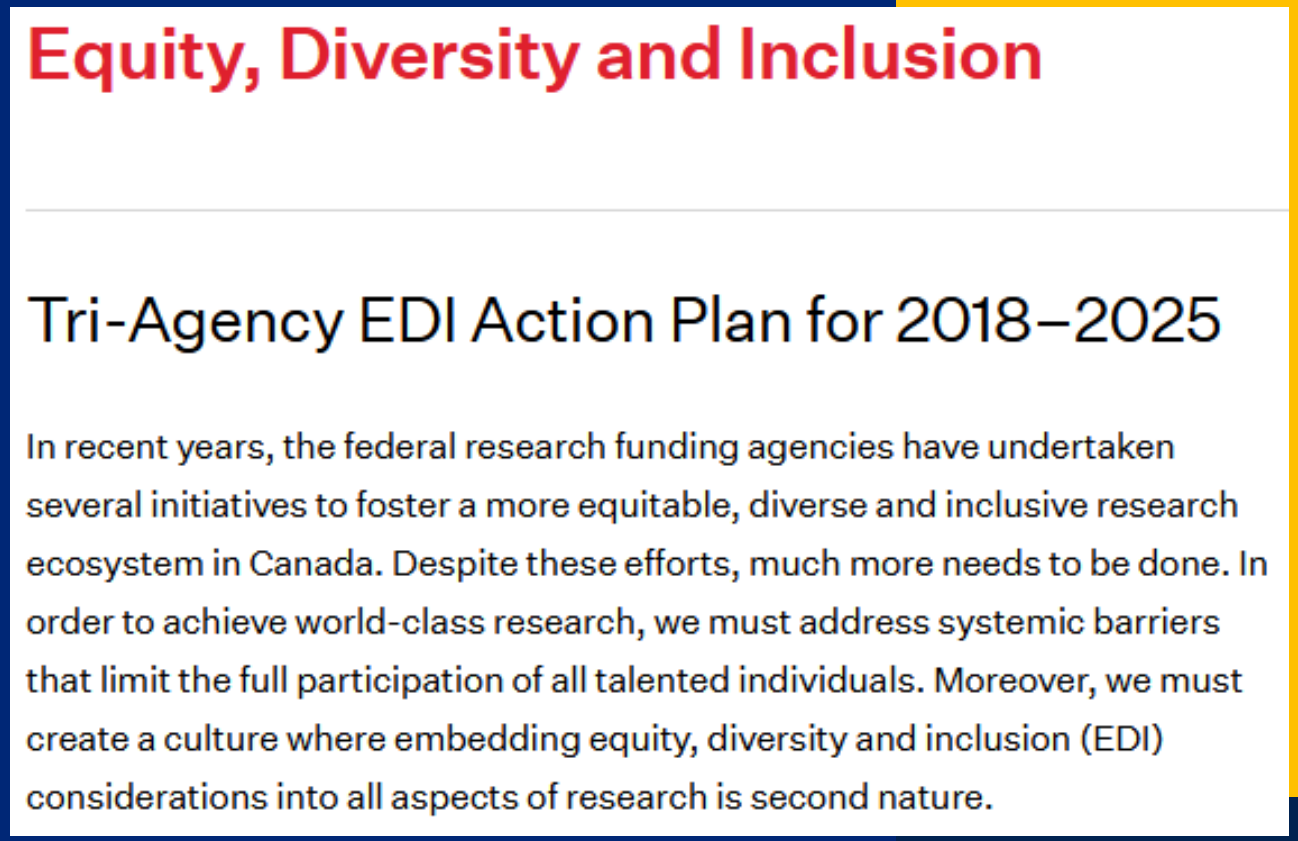

Links

- Guide for Applicants: Considering EDI in your application
- EDI considerations at each stage of the research process
- Indigenous Talent Measures
- Tri-Agency Research Training Award Holder's Guide (TARTAHG)
- How to Make Your Application Shine (UBC)

Next Steps

- Confirm eligibility
- Confirm research area and select appropriate agency
- Determine where to submit an application
- Review application instructions and start your application
- Gather official transcripts
- Secure references

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